



Dear Families

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We hope that everyone had a restful half term break. This is another short term ahead but a very busy one!

Our Young Voices choir are very excited to be performing at Resorts World Arena in Birmingham this evening. We wish them the best of luck and hope they have a fabulous time! This week, our netball teams were in action and competed very confidently against a range of schools from across Cheltenham – well done to everyone who played.

Also, this term we're looking forward to: hosting the Gloucestershire Wildlife Trust's Primary School Quiz; our cross country team competing in races once again; the start of our Gardening Club to get our front gardens ready for the spring and summer; the introduction of a new Kurling Club in KS2; school trips linking to our Leading Questions; and inviting Year 4 parents to attend an information session about the Multiplication Tables Check. As I said, it's a busy term in addition to the children enjoying their engaging and jam-packed curriculum.

Term dates and events in the diary can be found here: [Naunton Park Primary School - Calendar](#)

Parent Consultations

We look forward to welcoming parents/carers into school on Tuesday and Wednesday next week for our Parent Consultations. We're pleased to be able to invite all parents to these face-to-face meetings at which your child's work will be shared with you and you'll have a chance to see their classroom as well as speak to the teacher(s). Please use this as an opportunity to ask any questions and refer to the mid-year report you received before half term if that's useful.

Reminder: meetings are scheduled for 10-minutes. A bell will sound each 10 minutes to ensure everyone has their planned appointment on time. If your child is attending with you, which we welcome, then please let them know that these bells will sound while they're in school and that there's nothing to worry about. A continuous alarm sound will signify the fire alarm, for which we will congregate on the playground.

Year 1 and Year 2 Phonics sessions for parents and carers

We're delighted to offer our first phonics mornings for parents and carers in Years 1 and 2. These sessions will provide the opportunity for a phonics lesson to be observed followed by a question/answer session with the teachers and Phonics Lead. We hope that these sessions will provide the adults at home with useful information about not only how children are taught their phonics in school but also give ideas for helping children at home.

We wish our families a restful, and hopefully sunny, weekend.

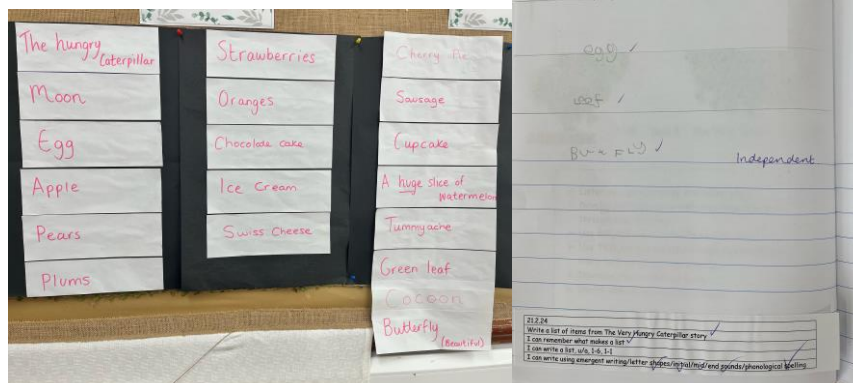
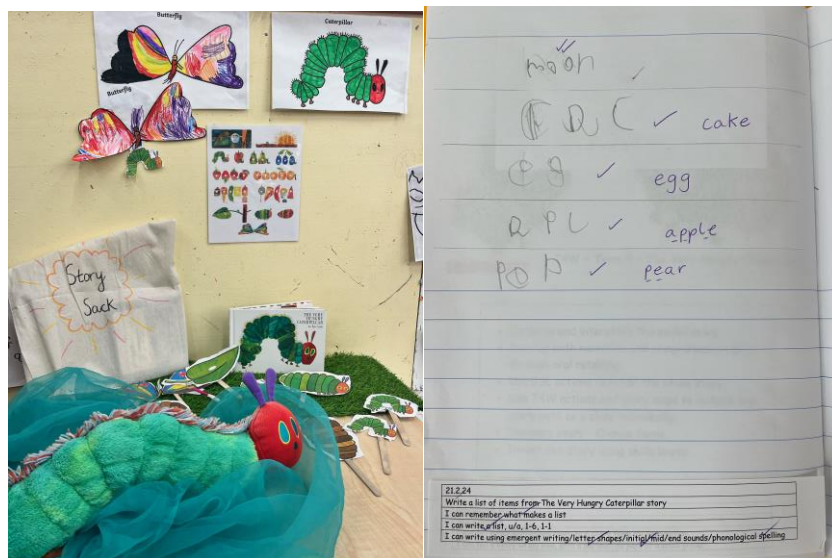
Miss Hudson, on behalf of Mrs Fletcher

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Class News

Class – Red

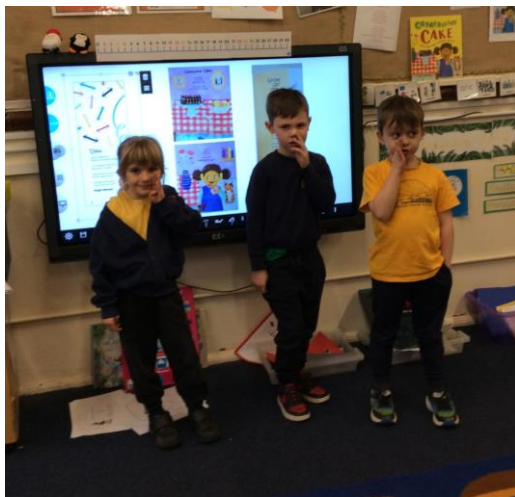
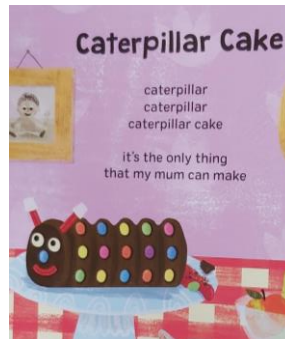
This week in Red Class we have been reading The Hungry Caterpillar as part of our Talk for Writing unit. The children have been writing lists of food from the book, creating puppets and role playing the story.



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Class – Yellow

We have been working on performance poetry this week in Yellow Class. We have been adding actions, changing the tone of our voices and practising our timings ready for a performance to Orange Class on Friday. The poems we have chosen are Caterpillar Cake by Matt Goodfellow, Shh by Roger Stevens and Grow Up! By James Carter.



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Class – Avon

On Monday, many of the Year 6 children were involved in a netball tournament. Those of us who weren't playing, used the time to do some art work that followed on from our work in geography and science last term. Using the work of artist Darrell Wakelam as our inspiration, we used paper plates and art-straws to make a 3D representation of Ernest Shackleton's ship – The Endurance.



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Class - Wye

This week in Year 4, we have been learning about water pollution and the impact we can have as a school. We discovered a drain right outside our school which unfortunately had litter covering it. Our visitor, Mr Naulls, explained how every drain eventually connects to our oceans and how litter dropped in drains could end up on the other side of the world!



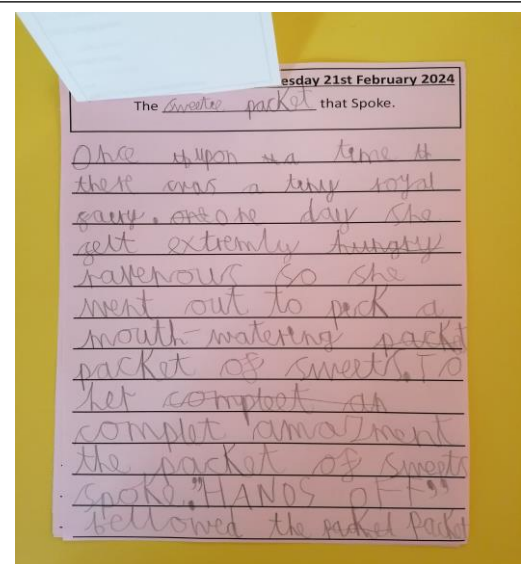
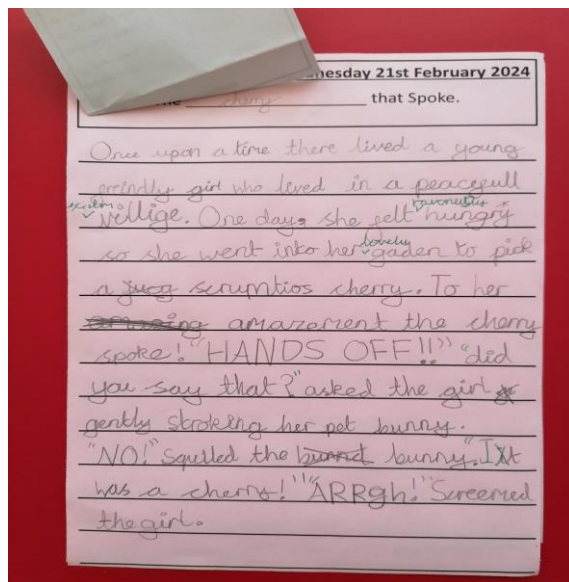
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Class – Y2 Blue

Talk 4 Writing – Invent

In our last class page, we posted some examples of the work we had been doing to prepare us to write character descriptions for our own versions of 'The Papaya that Spoke'.

This week, we have been at the 'invent' stage of the 'Talk 4 Writing' process and the children have been using their amazingly wonderful imaginations to come up with some superb versions of the original stories.



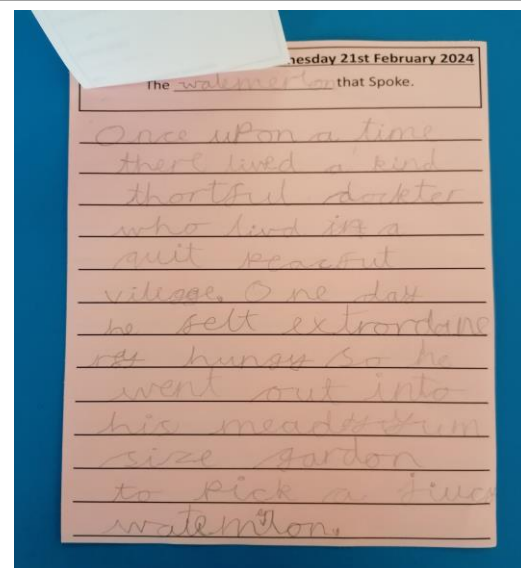
To write a character description, the children could use any combinations of the following features:

Using adjectives to describe the way their characters looked.

Using powerful 'said' verbs to show how their characters spoke.

Using character actions to show how their characters behaved.

See if you can spot any of the features!



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Class - Sherborne

In Sherborne this week we have been starting to multiply larger numbers. We have looked at the distributive law and how this can help us to work with larger numbers. By using larger pieces of paper and partitioning the numbers down into smaller parts, we were able to successfully complete sums and make posters about how to use the distributive law.



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PTA News

NPPTA Update

The PTA committee have emerged from hibernation with some dates for your diaries and some spending news...

Upcoming events

The next [Bag2School](http://www.bag2school.com) collection will be on **Monday 11th March**. Check out the website (www.bag2school.com) for a list of what is and is not accepted.

We are planning a **Spring Quiz** for evening of **Friday 12th April**. Teams of up to 6 (can be less). Further details and tickets out shortly so put the date in your diary and keep a watch out for more comms soon.

Spending

This month the PTA has handed over £13,982.50 for new class i-pads, £800 to cover the cost of the PGL coach and £642.27 for books.

This would not be possible without the financial support of parents and the school community. THANK-YOU!

"If everyone does a little, no one has to do a lot"

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Safeguarding

We have a range of support and information for families on our website here:
[Naunton Park Primary School - Safeguarding](#)

Information on our website includes posters and leaflets with summarised help and ideas for parenting, teaching children about keeping themselves safe online, how to approach difficult conversations with your child and how to determine when it's OK to allow your child to go out alone.

A lot of our information that we use in school comes from our Jigsaw Curriculum, which is available to view online here: [Naunton Park Primary School - PSHE](#) We also use NSPCC's lesson plans and resources to deliver topic-specific lessons.

The NSPCC has a wealth of resources for children and parents, so we encourage parents to spend time looking through this. **Click on the image below to visit their "Parents" section:**

NSPCC 'Learning'

An example of the information for available for parents to view is the NSPCC's leaflet about Positive Parenting...

The image shows the cover of an NSPCC leaflet titled 'Positive Parenting'. The cover is green with white text. On the left, it says 'NSPCC' at the top, followed by 'NEED-TO-KNOW GUIDES' in a smaller font, and then 'Positive Parenting' in large, bold letters. On the right, there is a section titled 'What's inside' with a list of topics and page numbers: 'Understanding your child's needs' (03), 'How can I set boundaries?' (05), 'Rewards and discipline' (07), 'Keeping your cool' (09), 'Building positive relationships' (11), and 'Who can I talk to?' (13). Below this list, there is a paragraph of text: 'We know how challenging it can be to balance all the demands parents and carers have to cope with. That's why we've put together some tips to help. All children need boundaries and discipline, and this guide helps you develop what works for you and your child.'

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Recognition

Well done and thank you to...

Year Group	Rules	Attitudes to Learning
	Ready, Respectful, Safe	Effort, Persistence, Resilience
Reception	Bibi Robbins-Stokes Henry Needs	Grace Curtis Lottie Monro
Year 1	Darcy Taylor Aoife Wilson	Maria Tulbure Elsie Cattle
Year 2	Jasper Forster Rufus Church	Sienna Beltran Jago Webb-Peploe
Year 3	Zak Smith Xavier Everitt	Stephan Delsaux Bruce Nield
Year 4	Eva Puttnam Thomas Bergin	Harrison Jones Ching Leung
Year 5	Jacob Pettit George Biggs	Theo Vernall Maddie Eckford
Year 6	Milo Muncaster Sadie Butler	Elsie Stewart Felix Thorne

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Dates

Planned activities are listed below.

Please note that these are subject to change and additional activities will be added in due course.

Monday 26 th February	Y5 swimming starts
Tuesday 27 th February	9am, Y1 and Y2 phonics session for parents
Tuesday 27 th February	3:40-7:30pm Parent Consultations
Wednesday 28 th February	3:40-6:00pm Parent Consultations
Friday 1 st March	Sherborne Class Assembly
Monday 4 th March	Y5 swimming
Wednesday 6 th March	9am, Y1 and Y2 phonics session for parents
Thursday 7 th March	9am, Y1 phonics session for parents
Thursday 7 th March	World Book Day
Monday 11 th March	Y5 swimming
Monday 11 th March	Bags2School
Wednesday 13 th March	3:30-4:00pm Open Classrooms
Friday 15 th March	Blue Class Assembly
Monday 18 th March	Y5 swimming
Monday 18 th March	RE Week
Monday 18 th March	Easter Celebration TBC
Monday 25 th March-Friday 5 th April	Easter Holidays
Monday 8 th April	Y5 swimming
Friday 12 th April	PTA Spring Quiz
Monday 15 th April	Y5 swimming
Friday 19 th April	Yellow Class Assembly
Monday 22 nd April	Y5 swimming
Monday 29 th April	Y5 swimming
Friday 3 rd May	Purple Class Assembly
Monday 6 th May	Bank Holiday (school closed)
Monday 13 th May	Y6 SATS Week
Monday 13 th May	Y5 swimming
Friday 17 th May	Green Class Assembly
Monday 20 th May	Y5 swimming
Monday 27 th – 31 st May	Half Term
Monday 3 rd June	RE Week
Monday 3 rd June	Y4 Multiplication Tables Check Week
Monday 3 rd June	Y5 swimming
Monday 10 th June	Y1/2 Phonic Screening Check Week
Monday 10 th June	Y4 Multiplication Tables Check Week
Monday 10 th June	Y5 swimming
Friday 14 th June	Red Class Assembly
Monday 17 th June	Y5 swimming – moved to Wed 19 th June
Wednesday 19 th June	Y5 swimming
Monday 24 th June	Y5 swimming
Friday 28 th June	Orange Class Assembly
Friday 28 th June	9:30am, Y4-Y6 Swimming Gala at Cheltenham College
Monday 1 st July	Y5 swimming (last session)
Wednesday 3 rd July	2:30-3:00pm Open Classrooms
Friday 5 th July	Annual Reports home to parents
Monday 8 th July	Y6 PGL Week

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Friday 19th July
Monday 22nd July

Y6 Leavers' Assembly
INSET Day – school closed to pupils

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